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Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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REPLY Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.113

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated May 15, 2006 and made final, reconsideration of the above-identified patent application, in light of the following remarks is respectfully requested. (This reply is being filed, along with a petition for a two-month extension of time, on October 16, 2006, the first business day following the Sunday, October 15, 2006 date that is five calendar months from the mailing date of the Office action, and is therefore timely filed.)

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